



Mexico-domiciled carriers that currently hold Certificates of Registration issued before April 18, 2002, authorizing operations beyond the commercial zones, must file an OP-1 (MX) by November 4, 2003 in order to continue these operations.

Step by Step - Quick Reference Guide

Phase 1 Application Process

1. Complete Application Form. [Form OP-1 \(MX\) Application Form - English & Spanish](#); (Instructions in Spanish). The application package is printed in English and Spanish, but the Carrier's responses must be in English.
2. Pay Filing Fee \$300 for each type of registration. If you presently have a certificate of registration, you do not need to submit a fee when you file an application under subpart (365. Subpart E) if you file before November 4, 2003.
3. Attend a Safety Compliance Seminar (Optional).
4. Complete Motor Carrier Identification Report Form [MCS-150 \(English & Spanish\)](#)
5. Designate Process Agent [Form BOC-3 \(English & Spanish\)](#)
List of Process Agents (English & Spanish) - [PDF Version](#) - [HTML Version](#)
6. Obtain insurance from an authorized insurance company or agent valid in the U.S.
7. Prepare for and pass safety audit.
8. Receive from FMCSA a letter stating that you have passed the safety audit.
9. [Provide proof of insurance.](#)
10. Obtain a current CVSA decal, by passing a Level I Inspection, for all vehicles intended for operation in the U.S.
11. Receive package of materials from FMCSA containing Provisional Operating Authority (valid for 18 months).
12. Mark your commercial motor vehicle on both sides with legal name or DBA name used on Form MCS-150 and the assigned USDOT number on any vehicle intended for use in the U.S. before operations can begin.

Phase 2 Provisional Operating Authority

13. Receive a satisfactory rating from the Compliance Review (CR) before the 18-month Provisional Authority expires.
14. Comply with Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulation
<http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/rulesregs/fmcsr/fmcsrguide.htm>.
15. Comply with Federal Hazardous Material Regulations. [Click here.](#)
16. Comply with all State Motor Carrier Safety and Economic Regulations. [Click here.](#)
17. Demonstrate acceptable levels of safety performance before the 18-month Provisional Authority expires.

Phase 3. Permanent Authority

18. Receive written notification from FMCSA of the change of Operating Authority to Permanent.
19. Comply for a period of three years with the requirement that all vehicles operating beyond the border zone display a currently valid CVSA decal. Decals are valid for 90 days.